

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of the claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1. (original) A device for securing a paper media roll comprising:

opposing clamp members hingedly connected and biased toward a closed position, wherein each opposing clamp member includes a curved inner surface, the combination of the curved inner surfaces being extendable around more than one-half of an unused standard paper media roll.

2. (original) The device of claim 1, wherein the opposing clamp members each include one or more fingers which form at least part of the curved inner surfaces, respectively.

3. (original) The device of claim 2, wherein the fingers of the opposing clamp members interdigitate when the opposing clamp members are in the closed position.

4. (original) The device of claim 1, wherein the opposing clamp members each include a handle, the handles being adapted to leverage the opposing clamp members into an open position.

5. (original) The device of claim 1, wherein each curved inner surface is smooth.

6. (original) The device of claim 1, wherein each curved inner surface comprises an arcuate surface.

7. (original) The device of claim 6, wherein each arcuate surface has an arc length of less than 180°.

8. (original) The device of claim 1, wherein the unused standard paper media roll is selected from the group of toilet paper roll and paper towel roll.

9. (original) A device for securing a paper media roll comprising:

opposing clamp members hingedly connected and biased toward a closed position, each opposing clamp member including one or more fingers and a handle, wherein the fingers of the opposing clamp members define inner arcuate surfaces, each inner arcuate surface having a radius at least as large as an outer radius of an unused toilet paper roll or paper towel roll, and the handles of the opposing clamp members are adapted to leverage the opposing clamp members into an open position.

10. (original) The device of claim 9, wherein the fingers of the opposing clamp members interdigitate when the opposing clamp members are in the closed position.

11. (original) The device of claim 9, wherein each inner arcuate surface is smooth.

12. (original) The device of claim 9, wherein each inner arcuate surface has an arc length of less than 180°.

13. (original) A method of securing a paper media roll comprising:

hingedly biasing a first curved surface toward a second curved surface; and

placing a paper media roll between first and second arcuate surfaces.

14. (original) The method of claim 13, wherein the first and second surfaces are each defined by one or more fingers.

15. (original) The method of claim 14, wherein the fingers of the first and second surfaces interdigitate when the first and second surfaces are in a closed position.

16. (original) The method of claim 13, wherein the first and second surfaces are smooth.

17. (original) The method of claim 13, wherein each curved surface comprises an arcuate surface.

18. (original) The method of claim 17, wherein each arcuate surface has an arc length of less than 180°.

19. (currently amended) The method of claim 19 13, wherein each arcuate surface has a radius at least as large as an outer radius of an unused standard paper media roll.

20. (original) The method of claim 19, wherein the unused standard paper media roll is selected from the group of toilet paper roll and paper towel roll.

21. (original) A method of securing a paper media roll comprising:

hingedly biasing a first arcuate surface toward a second arcuate surface, wherein each arcuate surface is defined by one or more fingers and each has a radius at least as large as an outer radius of an unused toilet paper roll or paper towel roll; and

placing a toilet paper roll or a paper towel roll between first and second arcuate surfaces.

22. (original) The method of claim 21, wherein the fingers of the first and second arcuate surfaces interdigitate when the first and second arcuate surfaces are in a closed position.

23. (original) The method of claim 21, wherein the first and second arcuate surfaces are smooth.

24. (original) The method of claim 21, wherein each arcuate surface has an arc length of less than 180°.

25. (new) The device of claim 2, wherein the fingers are longer than the width of the of the device.

26. (new) The device of claim 9, wherein the fingers are longer than the width of the of the device.